News Notes



5 Mirage 2000D visit Lakenheath

Five French Air Force Mirage 2000D air-toground variants visit RAF Lakenheath Tuesday through March 27 as part of a goodwill exchange. They're coming to practice tactics and training and will be mainly flying during the day, according to wing officials.

Supplemental board is May 12

The next senior master sergeant and chief master sergeant supplemental promotion board is May 12.

The suspense date for requests is April 7. Late requests will be held for the September board. Senior NCO selection record contents must be verified to make sure the data was not previously considered before requesting supplemental consideration. Verify data by calling HQ AFPC/DPPBR2 at DSN 487-5241.

For more information, call DSN 487-2107.

OPSEC not a concern for some

Everyone needs to be alert to operations security lapses to prevent leaks of sensitive information, especially in today's high-tech society.

"A major concern is the disregard for the vulnerability of open phone lines," said Capt. Lisa Eastland, wing readiness office. "Compromises can happen though the release of small bits of information which can be collected and analyzed to reveal an entire operation."

Another way of learning about wing actions is through computers.

"Good operations security dictates protection of sensitive information related to computer security vulnerabilities from unnecessary dissemination," Eastland said. "If we let our adversaries know where our systems are weak, they can use that knowledge to gain entry into our computers and help themselves to all the information located there."

For more information about operations security and what individuals can do to keep security strong, call Ext. 2659.

Exercise tests wing's capabilities

The 48th Fighter Wing is practicing for an evaluation this week.

The practice is Thursday. The wing will generate aircraft for a one-day exercise preparing for the surety special assistance visit June 16 - 20. The goal of the evaluation is to demonstrate the wing's ability to comply with Air Force Instruction 90-210,

USAFE Surety Inspection Program. For more information, call Ext. 3509.

Revised PFE and AFSE study guides to be distributed

Revised editions of the promotion fitness examination and Air Force supervisory examination study guides are being distributed to all locations worldwide. They should be at RAF Lakenheath by April 30.

Both volumes have an effective date of July 1 and will be required study references beginning with the September testing cycles for chief master sergeant and senior master sergeant. Volume I will be the required study reference for the master, technical and staff sergeant promotions cycles testing January through June 1998. The July 1, 1995 edition remains the required study reference for all 1997 calendar year testing cycles for promotion to master, technical and staff sergeants.

For more information, call DSN 487-4075 or electronically mail to pfesg@mail. omsq.af.mil. For information on how these publications affect promotion testing, call DSN 487-2265 or e-mail rushr@hq. afpc.af.mil.

Survey 'takes the pulse' of community activities

The Air Force is distributing the latest community-needs assessment sponsored by family support centers, the family advocacy program and by child development and youth programs.

Data gathered from this 12-page survey helps these organizations "take the pulse" of the community regarding many family and community issues. Armed with this information, the agencies can better meet the needs of military people and their families.

More than 2,000 RAF Lakenheath service members and their spouses have been randomly selected to participate in this survey.

Recipients are encouraged to participate. Their comments can influence family services and related support activities here and throughout the Air Force.

Results of previous needs assessments in 1993 and 1995-96 have been used to design new services and improve existing programs. Community agencies used survey information to adjust their programs to the changing needs of the local population.

For more information, call the family support center at Ext. 3847.

Power outage at Croughton

There is a power outage at RAF Croughton from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. April 6. All AAFES facilities will be closed.

Housing office closed

The housing office will be closed today, Monday and Tuesday for refurbishing. Emergency temporary living allowance services is provided in Bldg. 966. For more information, call Ext. 2749.

Liberty Warrior

"Can do" person of the week

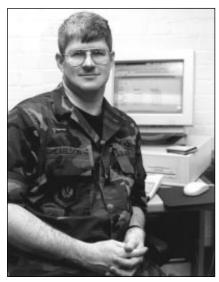


Photo by SSgt. Valerie Weaver

SSgt. Christopher Carlson

48th Contracting Squadron

Hometown:Owensville, Ohio Time in service: 14 years Time on station: Nine months

Role in mission: As a contract administrator and negotiator, I work with the communication squadrons at RAFs Lakenheath and Mildenhall to maintain small computers and land-mobile radios. I also work with the squadrons and British Telecom to provide tele-

Hobbies: Reading, computers, sports, landscaping and history.

phone services.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Retired and working as a purchasing manager.

What would you do to make things better at RAF Lakenheath? I would work to improve the housing situation, either through leased housing or new units.

What is your greatest achievement? Completing my bachelor's degree

Why did you join the Air Force? To serve my country, plus the travel and education opportunities

Who is your role model and why? My father. He taught me about the satisfaction that comes from hard work and giving a task your complete attention.

What do you like best about the Air Force? The ability to travel and experience different cultures.